

Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call

Present:	Anju Brodbine	Flora Tan
	Amin Hashmi	Tom Kaszubski
	Padma Kuppa	Hailu Robele
	Cindy Stewart	Charles Yuan
	Kara Huang	

Absent: Oniell Shah. Motion to excuse Robele/Yuan.

Introduction of New Member

Kara Huang- Junior at Troy High School in the fall, wants to learn about other cultures and share her culture. Originally from China.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Brodbine, support by Yuan to approve May 13, 2003 minutes. Approved unanimously.

Correspondence

None

New Business

- A. Carolyn Glosby, City Attorney's Office
 - a. Attorney's Office had an idea to print brochures to assist citizens with legal issues. Translate these brochures in languages needed for City of Troy. Need input from community on what would be important for our specific community.
 - b. Basic Topics:
 - i. Landlord/Tenant Issues
 - ii. Living Well
 - iii. Employee Rights
 - iv. Probate
 - v. Estate Planning
 - vi. Immigration
 - vii. Fair Housing Concerns

- c. Identify languages the brochures need to be translated to and topics, send information to Cindy and she will give info to Carolyn. Top 4 languages spoken in schools are Chinese, Korean, Arabic and Chaldean.
- B. EIA Logo – Board chose logo choice. Suggestion to put globe held in two hands in the center
- C. Prayer Breakfast, Friday, May 7, 2004 – DIVERSITY Week – May 3-9, 2004
 - a. Committee is excited that EIA Board wants to organize other events along with Prayer Breakfast for Diversity Week May 3-9, 2004.
 - b. Communicate with schools, businesses and local business to investigate ways to come together for weeklong events.
 - c. Subcommittee: Anju, Cindy, Kara, Flora, Amin
 - i. Anju will draft a letter to schools, churches and businesses
 - ii. Cindy has list of school contacts
 - iii. Flora has list of Brookfield Academy contacts
 - iv. Padma has list of Oakland Children's Academy
 - v. Library do special programs- email Brian: direct staff to do programs related to Ethnic Diversity during Diversity Week at Library
 - vi. Kathy Gerement re: what was the diversity program at Standard Federal?
- D. Stationary

Old Business

- A. Goals and Objectives
 - a. Support Troy Daze. City Manager said EIA Board would have a free booth at Troy Daze. Cindy will send in application.
 - b. New idea/future goal: panel discussion adults and kids on cultural and communication issues
- B. Program Ideas
 - a. Dates at Community Center, secure October 11, November 8, January 10, February 7 or 21 (depends on Chinese New Year, Flora find out), March 13, April 16, May 8 for Room 304 & 305, Padma will coordinate month
 - b. Sights and Sounds of:
 - i. India on Oct. 11
 - ii. Pakistan? on Nov. 8
 - iii. Jan. ?
 - iv. China in Feb.
 - c. Joann for contacts re: booths, Philippines, Korea
 - d. Fashion show, dance, song, food, info booths, parade of flags
 - e. Resource list- copy to Kara
 - f. Cindy add #s and divide up and call to verify they still exist. Cindy will email to board members.

- C. EthniCity assistance
 - a. Find volunteers for EthniCity/Troy Daze among our neighbors and friends
 - b. Float or group to march for Troy Daze for EIA Board (Hailu and Amin volunteered)
- D. Staff: work up Troy Today page logo/mission and goals
 - a. Sights & Sounds- Padma #
 - b. Diversity Week program- Anju #
 - i. Mail to members for okay
 - c. Did you know- 83 languages spoken in Troy Schools

Motion by Brodbine/second by Robele to adjourn - Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm